

**Old Home Day Committee Minutes**  
**Tuesday, March 26, 2013**

Type of Meeting: Regular meeting  
Method of Notification: Public Posting – Two locations at Town Hall and Post Office  
Meeting Location: Sandown Town Hall

In attendance: Chair Tim Rand, Kara Johnston, Rick DeLuca, Trucinda Phillips, Helen LoPresti, Keith Burleigh, Patty Lakos, Rae Donovan, Ed Donovan, Terry Treanor, Paula Gulla

Absent: Karen Jortberg, Erica Olsen, Bev DeLuca Arthur Genualdo, John Johnston  
Selectman Liaison Tom Tombarello

Guest: Linda Meehan, Playmates Learning Center

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Chair, Tim Rand.

Terry Treanor brought up the idea of moving the Old Home Day celebration to September. The committee discussed this idea at length and cited the pros and cons. The committee decided to canvas residents, department heads, check with those involved in the event to see if moving the date presents any problems. A final decision and vote will be made at the next Old Home Day meeting on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Guest – Linda Meehan from Playmates Learning Center approached the committee with the possibility of having children from the summer theater program perform a 2 hour production of Disney's Aladdin on Friday evening of the Old Home Day weekend. She suggested this would be a family-oriented event and would likely bring in residents and family members of the performers along with friends and members of the public. There will be an intermission, so a local group could sell desserts as a fundraiser or pizza could be offered from the Old Home Day committee. Playmates will assist with the advertising of the event. The committee thought it was a good idea and considered holding a ham and bean supper at the Recreation building prior to the performance. A 50/50 raffle could be held, admission charged and proceeds from the supper could be given to a charity or go into the general fund. This would eliminate the Friday night dance from the lineup of events. Again the committee will make their final decision and vote on this at the next meeting.

Budget

The committee allocated the following initial budget for the event:

Rides	1200
Entertainment	2000
Parade	2500
Marketing	250
Site	650

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47 Some comments were made regarding some of the above areas

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49 Rides –

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51 Vertical Dreams (Rock wall climbing) has been contacted – most likely will participate

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53 Wristbands should be obtained for those paying a fee to ride all day and 2 different

54 colored bands would help if the events are offered both days

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56 A 7500 watt generator is available to help with the rides if needed – offered by one of the

57 committee members

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59 The Police Department will have a dunk tank again this year

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62 Site –

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64 It was suggested we have several more porta johns scattered around the event including at  
65 the beach area if the log rolling contest is held there

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67 There was a concern last year over bee hives in the fenced area and the school and/or

68 highway department will be contacted to see what can be done about that this year.

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70 Artie Genualdo will be asked to attend the next meeting specifically to address some of

71 these concerns

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73 Vendors –

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75 A suggestion was made that a flea market could be added to the event

76 A bake-off of cakes or pies could be added or a chili cook-off

77 Terry suggested that vendors, especially those handling food, have insurance certificates

78 on filed with the town

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80 Marketing –

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82 Advertising needs to be stepped up this year to get the word out and increase attendance.

83 Some ideas were to get the newspaper coverage to start early, have the schedule ready to

84 publish and post, flyers, posters, cable TV coverage etc.

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86 Entertainment –

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88 Rick is busy contacting various musicians and other acts for the event. The woodsman

89 competition continues to move forward. Trucinda stated that she may have a gentleman

90 coming to the next meeting to discuss a fireman's muster.

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93 Parade –

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95 Efforts should be made to keep expanding the participants in the parade – it was  
96 suggested the children from the theater might want to participate in the regular parade or  
97 the children’s parade. The committee questioned if the money should be spent again on  
98 the Sons of Italy Band and this will be discussed again at a future meeting when Karen  
99 Jortberg is present.

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101 The committee agreed to meet again on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

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103 The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

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105 Respectfully submitted,

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108 Paula M. Gulla

109 Recording Secretary